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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: LAVARIAS, Arnel

In Re application of

Eric MARTINEZ, et al.

Application No.: 09/973,070

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS PROVIDING FIBER OPTIC CABLES

THROUGH GAS SERVICE PIPES

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action dated April 30, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

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